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Wednesday, 23 July 1952

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1. Called to the attention of Mr. Wisner and [redacted] of FE Division a [redacted] item relating to Chengtu. Suggested to [redacted] and Mr. Sheldon that they establish some direct liaison in order to insure that such items are called to the attention of the Operational Offices. There is a good field for cross fertilization here.

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2. Spoke to [redacted] respecting his memorandum concerning information letters for Senior Representatives and he agreed to delete the request for an intelligence roundup, when I explained the nature of the services we were giving Senior Representatives. Requested [redacted] to prepare our contribution for the forthcoming trial run.

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3. Requested [redacted] to have [redacted] prepare a propaganda analysis summary covering indications of Chinese intent respecting truce negotiations for the period ending 30 July. Also requested [redacted] to proceed with his plans for setting up a unit within OO to produce material of this type. We are not receiving it from any other source and such studies are required for Agency purposes. Products of this group would not be disseminated outside CIA.

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4. Discussed with Messrs. [redacted] the current situation in Egypt and suggested that [redacted] from time to time, get in touch directly with Mr. Sheldon and [redacted]. They would be guided by his advice on the sensitivity of the material received. During this conversation [redacted] emphasized the undesirability of passing on to State some of the material in question and I reemphasized this with [redacted].

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5. Suggested to [redacted] of PSB that he speak with [redacted] on sanitization of the [redacted] Report. I later met in the conference room with [redacted]. It was perfectly apparent that [redacted] despite all we had said to him, was attempting to bull through the inclusion of the CIA figures. I made our position unmistakably clear and vetoed any use of CIA figures, either separately or as part of a total.

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6. Mr. Wisner spoke to me and requested me to act as the channel to pass a copy of the [redacted] to [redacted] of PSB. Mr. Wisner preferred this to having [redacted] deal directly with the various Intelligence Offices. I later spoke to [redacted] about this and, respecting the Intelligence Offices, authorized him to speak directly to the ADs but requested that he keep me informed as to the request which he was making from time to time.

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7. [REDACTED] indicated that PSB would be extremely interested in the results of any psychological operations carried on in connection [REDACTED] He also suggested that it might be useful to have a check-list of Americans and others who had been subjected to intensive Soviet intelligence, such as [REDACTED] I 25X1X6 undertook to look into these questions.

8. Col. Baker, Director of Special Research for G-2, phoned respecting a proposal to give additional support to SHAPE sub-commands. After looking over the papers, I informed Col. Baker that I would recommend that Gen. Smith approve and I thought that he would do so.

9. Attended meeting of Ad Hoc S & T Committee and later discussed personnel with [REDACTED] 25X1A9a requested that I reconsider the question of [REDACTED] but I explained 25X1A9a the precise nature of my difficulty and Col. [REDACTED] indicated that he 25X1A9a would be perfectly willing to substitute for [REDACTED] 25X1A9a who had attended several meetings of our Committee. [REDACTED] also 25X1A9a withdrew his request that this be a two-way arrangement and indicated willingness to have Dr. Chadwell sit on the Committee. I indicated appreciation of this attitude, but did not state what I would do about this particular question.

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